

Amendments to the Specification

On page 4, after the paragraph beginning on line 11, please add the following paragraph:

- Fig. 9A shows a perspective view of the starter drill and Fig. 9B shows an end view of the starter drill of Fig. 9 looking from the drill end of the starter drill.

On page 4, please amend the paragraph beginning on line 13, as follows:

Figs. 1 to 4 and 9A and 9B show that, according to the invention, the implant-fixing procedures both with prior bone expansion (figs. 1 and 2) and prior bone compaction (Figs. 3 and 4) begin always with the use of a starter drill (1) as best seen in Figs. 9A and 9B. One end (22) of this starter drill (1) acts on the patient's bone whereas its other end (6) receives a surgical motor to drive it. The end (22) is narrow and short and has a quadrangular section, characteristics that endow the starter drill with optimal qualities for piercing the hardest outer layer of the bone.